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**Why You Should Say “No” to the ERA**

**We, the people of the United States, have to address a current issue at hand. The Equal Rights Amendment is a new epidemic that is currently over taking the United States. The Equal Rights Amendment will guarantee equal rights under any federal, state or local law. The amendment must be stopped swiftly and surely, for the consequences that will follow the amendment could ruin everything that we as women need and want.**

**With the Equal Rights Amendment important family rights for women will be taken away. These rights are automatic child custody in the case of divorce, and will have weakened punishments for sex crimes committed towards women. Privileges will also be taken away like “dependent wife” benefits under Social Security, and exemption from Selective Service registration.**

**We as a nation must come together to protect the institution of marriage and the equally important roles of father and mother. We must honor the fulltime homemaker and her rights in joint income tax. We must stop the feminist goals of stereotyping men as a constant danger to women.**

**The feminist movement in general treats the strong women of our country as helpless victims by telling women that they cannot succeed because society is unfair to them. Feminists are determined to preach the idea that women are unfairly treated in society so legislation, government, and taxpayers’ money is needed in order for women to have a fair break.**

**With the Equal Rights Amendment there will be same-sex bathrooms, same-sex dressing rooms, women will be drafted into the army. The idea of equality between both the sexes may sound like a good idea at first but eventually same-sex will overtake our privacy as women, and our country as a whole.**